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## **Introduced by Assembly Member Medina**

## April 22, 2014

House Resolution No. 40—Relative to School Bus Drivers Day.

WHEREAS, Annually, on the fourth Tuesday of April, the people of California should officially recognize all school bus drivers for their continued and excellent services to the youth of the state, and these drivers are deserving of special public recognition and the highest commendations; and WHEREAS. The California Association of School

WHEREAS, The California Association of School Transportation Officials is a professional organization that promotes safe pupil transportation and advocates for continued high standards for California's school bus drivers; and

WHEREAS, The safety of our children rests in the hands of trained school bus drivers for up to six or seven hours each school day; and

WHEREAS, Personal time and energy are expended by school bus drivers in their initial training, maintaining a current license, perfecting their driving skills, and accruing added knowledge of school bus laws through continuing education classes; and

WHEREAS, School bus drivers, through counseling and disciplinary techniques, are sometimes asked to assist pupils in appropriate interactive peer and adult behavior; and

WHEREAS, School bus drivers often face natural and unexpected hazards in the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, School bus drivers exhibit patience and kindness toward pupils, parents, and school staff in the performance of their duties; and HR 40 \_\_2\_

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WHEREAS, School bus drivers consistently demonstrate an awareness of, and direct attention to, the mechanical maintenance of the school bus and safety conditions of the school bus routes; and

WHEREAS, Many school bus drivers perform their services for thousands and thousands of accident-free miles, year after year; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the Assembly declares April 22, 2014, as School Bus Drivers Day in California in order to officially recognize school bus drivers for their continued and excellent services to the youth of the State of California; and be it further

13 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.